



I recently had the pleasure to visit with Neil Howe on the ["Lance Roberts Show"](#) about the coming generational shift and its potential affect on the economy.

Neil Howe is a renowned authority on generations and social change in America. An acclaimed author and speaker, he is the nation's leading thinker on today's generations—who they are, what motivates them, and how they will shape America's future. Howe is founder and president of the consulting firm LifeCourse Associates, where he develops and implements cutting-edge research, analysis, and consulting services to help clients understand how generations impact marketing, workforce issues, and strategic planning. He also recently joined HedgeEye Risk Management as a Managing Director to lead demographic sector research. A historian, economist, and demographer, Howe is also a recognized authority on global aging, long-term fiscal policy, and migration. He is a senior associate to the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington, D.C., where he helps direct the CSIS Global Aging Initiative. Howe is a bestselling author who has written over a dozen books on generations, demographic change, and fiscal policy, many of them with [William Strauss](#). Howe and Strauss' book, *The Fourth Turning* (1997), is an important read on where we are currently as an economy and is the focus of the interview.

The interview covers:

- ***What is the "Fourth Turning"***
 - ***A history of demographic changes in the country.***
 - ***What "Gen-Xers" and "Millennials" should expect.***
 - ***The cycle of crisis and when the next one is due to arrive.***
 - ***Why today is much more like the "Great Depression" than we realize.***
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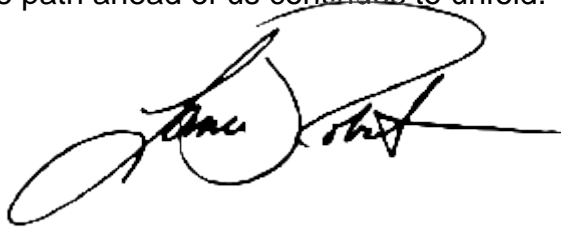
What Is The "Fourth Turning"

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The Coming Crisis And Why Today Is More Akin To The "Great Depression" Than Not.

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My appreciation to Neil for taking time out of his schedule to visit me. I look forward to having him back soon as the path ahead of us continues to unfold.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lance Roberts', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

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